

VAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cottonwood Elementary School
Site Base Council Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2017, 4:00 PM

Site Council members were in attendance for a study session prior to the scheduled Site Council meeting.

The meeting of the Cottonwood Site Base Council was called to order by Mrs. Tracy Kurz. Members present were: Mrs. Mary-Helen Douglas, Mrs. Amanda Jensen, Mr. Tom Kruszewski, Mrs. Chrissy Debono, Mrs. Anabelle Pearson and Carol Saldaña. Also present included, Mrs. Bobbi Mayeux and Mrs. Brittany Camden.

Mrs. Perason moved to approve the Minutes of February 16, 2017, Mrs. Saldaña seconded, the motion carried.

Member Reports:

Mrs. Jensen shared feedback in regards to the new Kindergarten on-line registration. A parent was curious why both parent's addresses were mandatory fields within the registration. Several questions were asked in regards to guardianship and why it would be mandatory for the information to be needed if one parent isn't present in the student's life.

Administrative Report: Mrs. Mayeux reported on the following:

- Current Enrollment: 616
- Resignations: Kelly Simons, Kerri Morgan & Nicole Dayton
- Transfer: Stephanie Bellus
- New Hires-Lindsey Brost, Patrick Schlotterer, Lindsey Feldhaus, Mandy Mohr, Kristen Callaway
- Movement at CWE-Sam Elmer-first grade para to 2nd grade teacher, Pam Maguire-3rd grade to STEM teacher, Krista Hooper-first grade teacher to Kinder teacher, Andrea Brobeck-2nd grade teacher to 1st grade teacher & Kelly Campbell-2nd grade teacher to 1st grade teacher

April Activities:

- AZMerit Testing Begins
 - Writing (4/4-4/6)
 - ELA & Math-4th & 5th (4/10-4/13)
 - ELA & Math-3rd (4/18 & 4/19)
- AIMS Science, 4th Grade (4/13)
- PTSA Chalk Art Day (4/7)
- 1st Grade to Desert Museum (4/13)
- Good Friday-No School (4/14)
- Family Reading Time (4/20)
- Reading Ambassador Fair (4/20)
- Volunteer Appreciation Week (4/24-4/28)
- Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast (4/27)
- Kindergarten Graduation Pictures (4/27)
- PTSA Spring Carnival (4/28)

May Activities:

- Teacher Appreciation Week (5/1-5/5)
- School Wide Screening (5/3)
- RVMS Visit to Cottonwood (5/3)
- RVMS Parent Night (5/3)
- 4th Grade Open House/Recorder Performance (5/4)
- PTSA Coffee w/Mrs. Mayeux (5/5)
- Kindness Club Skate Night (5/5)
- PTSA Meeting (5/8)
- Benchmark #4-Reading and Math, 2nd Grade Only (5/9 & 5/10)
- Advanced Math Benchmark (5/9-5/10)
- Benchmark #2 Science, K-3rd & 5 (5/11)
- Band/Choir/ Strings Performance in MPR (5/11)
- 2nd Grade Career Week (5/15-5/19)
- Coyotes Caught ACTing Assemblies (5/17)
- Family Math Night (5/18)
- CWE Track 7 Field Day (5/19)
- First Grade Picnic/Awards (5/23)
- CWE Talent Show (5/23)
- Kinder Graduation (5/23)
- 3rd Grade Luau (5/24)
- First & Second Grade Water Day (5/24)
- Last Day of School! 5th Grade Promotion (5/25)

Recognitions:

Mrs. Kurz recognized Mary-Helen for her amazing work with the Mother/Son Amazing Race!

Mrs. Douglas would like to recognize all of the wonderful volunteers that helped during the Amazing Race, Sarah Vickery, Tasha Blum, Meridy Twilling, Kari Joanides, Mrs. Mayeux, Tiana Mendoza, Mrs. Gunderson, Mrs. Morris, Petrina Barr, Maria Cubillas, Racquel James, Fatima Cubillas, Loki Bowen, Colin Vickery, Rylee VanAsdian, Mrs. Moore, Tom Kruszewski, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Malm, Mrs. Kampelman, Mrs. Bradshaw, Natalia Skillicorn, Nikki Cannito, Tammy Cannito, Ann Tumarkin, Eli Bryant, Pilar Martinez, Avery Park, Ali Kruszewski, Maddy Twilling, Rylie Johnson and Emily Felchlia.

Mrs. Camden recognized Stephanie Magnuson for her hard work organizing all duty, lunch and testing schedules for the AzMerit testing, it is quite an undertaking and she did a great job!

Mrs. Pearson recognized Debby Gunderson for her hard work prepping and preparing all Chrome Books for AzMerit testing.

Mrs. Mayeux recognized the following individuals:

- Caitlan Allen, Kayleigh Lutich and Sam Morriss for their excellent presentation about the STAR program, Strategies for Teaching based on Autism Research, at a recent governing board meeting. STAR is an instructional program that was developed based on research with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Students who participate in the STAR program will be working one on one with a trained staff member. They will work on functional routines, communication, expressive language, receptive language and academic skills.

- Dawn Schmidt, Elisha Robison and John Popp for volunteering their time to ensure Girls on the Run continued to inspire girls another season. They provided lessons and training that encouraged positive emotional, social, mental, and physical development. They recently completed a practice 5K run at our school where Sarah Vickery, Amanda Jensen, Mrs. Smallwood and several other parents volunteered their time. Girls on the Run season will end with a 5K at Christopher Columbus Park!

- Stephanie Magnuson, Sonja Kampelman, Sandra Cornejo, Chrissy DeBono, Kristin Salerno, Stephanie Bellus, Samantha Frantz, Sarah Vickery and Dawn Ball for assisting 65 students during the intersession program over Spring Break.

- Mary Helen Douglas for organizing an amazing Mother/Son Amazing Race!

Consent Agenda:

ACTION

A. Field trips: (Approve)

- Sped Students to Bookmans (4/4/17)
- Sped Students to Golf n' Stuff (4/5/17)
- Sped Students to Safeway (4/10/17)
- Sped Students to U of A Main Campus (4/11/17)
- Sped Students to Safeway (4/13/17)
- 1st Grade to Desert Museum (4/13/17)
- 5th Grade to U of A Campus (4/21/17)

B. Fundraisers: (Approve)

ACTION

- Relay for Life Coin Drive

Mrs. Douglas moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. DeBono seconded, the motion carried.

Old Business:

ACTION

A) Mission Statement

Mrs. Mayeux shared the mission statement that was created by a committee consisting of two classified staff, two certified staff and six parents at last month's Site Council meeting. At this meeting, she unveiled the format created by Darcy Mentone from the District office and asked for the Site Council to vote on the format.

Mrs. Pearson moved to approve the language and new format of the Mission Statement as presented. Mrs. Douglas seconded, the motion carried.

New Business:

INFORM & DISCUSS

A) Tentative Teacher Assignments for 17/18

Mrs. Mayeux shared tentative teacher assignments for the 17/18 school year. There will be a few shifts within the school, Sam Elmer, a first grade para, will transition to be a 2nd grade teacher, Pam Maguire, a 3rd grade teacher, to being the new STEM teacher, Krista Hooper, a first grade teacher, to being a Kinder teacher, Andrea Brobeck, a 2nd grade teacher, to being a 1st grade teacher & Kelly Campbell, a 2nd grade teacher, to being a 1st grade teacher. We have hired a few new teachers and will share bios of each very soon.

B) Solar Panels

Mrs. Mayeux shared that district facilities personnel came to inspect our property and decided to install solar panels on our campus. The diagram that Mrs. Mayeux shared with Site Council shows the panels will be over an area in our front parking lot as well as over our basketball courts. The project does not have a timeline of when installation will begin, but we are excited about having them on our campus!

Mrs. Douglass moved to hold the next meeting on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, Mrs. Saldaña seconded, the motion carried. Mrs. Pearson moved to adjourn, Mrs. DeBono seconded, the motion carried.

Submitted by: Dawn Ball, Acting Clerk

Date

SITE COUNCIL APPROVAL:

Tracy Kurz, President

Chrissy DeBono, Teacher Member

Mary-Helen Douglas, Clerk

Anabelle Pearson, Teacher Member

Amanda Jensen, Parent Member

Carol Saldaña, Classified Member

Tom Kruszewski, Parent Member